

August 27, 2015

Robert H. McGowan
Public Utility Law Judge
Maryland Public Service Commission
William Donald Schaefer Tower
6 Saint Paul Street, 19th Floor
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

## Dear Judge McGowan:

This letter is to convey the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) support for Great Bay Solar I, LLC's (Great Bay) application to build a solar farm in Somerset County, Maryland, and for the expedited issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") under Case No. 9380.

It is the policy of the Federal government to support the development of renewable power across the United States in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. To that end, the GSA has signed a contract with Great Bay to purchase 75 MWs of output from the proposed solar generating facility for a period of ten (10) years. This output will be used to power Federal facilities located in Maryland and in areas served by the PJM grid as well as help GSA meet its legislative mandates related to renewable energy.

The GSA requests that this letter be added to the Commission's official docket for this project. If you have any questions, please contact me on (202) 420-8316 (lariza.sepulveda@gsa.gov) or Ken Shutika of my office on (202) 329-1826 (ken.shutika@gsa.gov).



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